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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
 DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
 DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
 STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

 IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

MARITZA SANCHEZ, R.P.

License No.

20935

TO PRACTICE PHARMACY IN THE
 STATE OF NEW JERSEY

: Administrative Action

: **CONSENT ORDER OF**
 : **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER**
 : **OF LICENSURE**

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Pharmacy ("Board") upon receipt of information that respondent, while employed as a staff pharmacist at Kennedy Memorial Hospital, Washington Township, New Jersey, diverted for her own consumption, 285 tablets of Xanax, a Schedule IV Controlled Dangerous Substance, during the period of May 1, 2004 through May 15, 2005.

Respondent Maritza Sanchez contends that she has been drug-free since May 2005, but acknowledges that presently she lacks sufficient objectively verifiable evidence to demonstrate to the Board of Pharmacy that she has been drug-free since that time. Therefore respondent is willing to enter into this voluntary

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surrender of her licensure to allow her adequate time to garner of objectively verifiable evidence that she is drug-free, can remain drug-free, and is competent to engage in the practice of pharmacy.

It appearing that respondent wishes to resolve this matter without formal proceedings pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22, the Board finding the within Order is adequately protective of the public health and safety and for good cause shown,

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this th 24 day of May, 2006,

ORDERED AND AGREED, that respondent shall voluntarily surrender her New Jersey license to practice pharmacy upon entry of this Order to be deemed a suspension and immediately cease and desist from engaging in the practice of pharmacy including the following: respondent shall not handle, order inventory, compound, count, fill, refill or dispense any drug; she shall not handle anything requiring a prescription including devices and medications; she shall not handle prescriptions; she shall not advise or consult with patients, and she is prohibited from being present within a prescription filling area of a pharmacy, and it is further

ORDERED AND AGREED, that respondent shall immediately surrender her original license (wall certificate and wallet certificate) and the most recent renewal card of her license to an authorized representative of the Board of Pharmacy, and it is further

ORDERED AND AGREED, that nothing herein provided shall preclude the Board from affirmatively initiating any further action which may be authorized by law, at such time as the Board may deem it appropriate to initiate such action, and it is further

ORDERED AND AGREED, that prior to any application for restoration of license:

a. Respondent shall appear before the Board, or a committee thereof, to discuss her readiness to re-enter the practice of pharmacy. At that time, respondent shall be prepared to propose her plans for future employment in New Jersey. Respondent hereby agrees to provide the Board with the documentation requested in Subsections (d) through (h) below, prior to making her written request for reinstatement or with her written request for reinstatement;

b. Provide the Board with evidence that she is capable of discharging the functions of a licensee in a manner consistent with the public's health, safety and welfare and that she is not then suffering from any impairment or limitation resulting from the use of alcohol or any drug which could affect her ability to practice;

c. Provide the Board with evidence that she is not a habitual user of alcohol, drugs or intoxicants in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(1) and is not engaged in professional misconduct in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e);

d. Respondent shall undergo a substance abuse evaluation, comply with any treatment recommended and provide the Board with complete and current treatment records of all diagnostic and rehabilitative therapy and an in-depth, current evaluation from a Board approved psychiatrist or psychologist. In addition, Respondent shall provide in-depth reports from each and every mental health professional (including, but not limited to: psychologists, psychiatrists, counselors, and therapists) who have participated in respondent's care and/or treatment during the period of time from her entry into treatment to her appearance before the Board;

e. Submit documentation to the Board that she has participated in random, weekly, and directly witnessed urine monitoring, for a minimum period of six (6) months, and has not had any positive test results for alcohol or any other psychoactive substances;

f. Provide the Board with a report from a professional assistance program detailing the nature and extent of her involvement with that entity, if any;

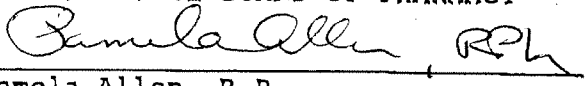
g. Provide the Board with proof that she has satisfied the continuing education requirements of the Board, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:39-3A et seq.; and

h. Provide the Board with a full account of her conduct during the intervening period of time from her entry into treatment to her appearance pursuant to this Order, and it is further

ORDERED AND AGREED that the parties hereby stipulate that entry of this Order is without prejudice to further action by this Board or other law enforcement entities resulting from Respondent's conduct prior to entry of this Order.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

By:


Pamela Allen, R.P.
President

I have read the within Order and understand it. I agree to be bound by its terms and hereby consent to it being entered by the New Jersey Board of Pharmacy.


Maritza Sanchez, R.P.